



HERO OF KANDOR STARTS HERE

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SUPERGIRL™



REIGN OF THE SUPERBOYS

CAMPBELL BONVILLAIN

ALL IN

PAUL MORA 23



NEXT
LEVEL

MARCH

FROM THE EISNER-NOMINATED TEAM OF
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LOBO

#1



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THE MAIN MAN'S BACK, BABY!



THE **OMEGA TOURNAMENT** IS OVER, AND NOW **SUPERMAN** IS MISSING.*

I FEEL TORN IN A HUNDRED DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS AT ONCE. I WANT TO GO OUT THERE AND TEAR EVERYTHING APART TO FIND MY COUSIN...

*SEE DC K.O #5!
--BRITTANY



...BUT I KNOW I **CAN'T**. NOT YET.

I WON'T LET KANDOR WAIT ANY LONGER. I HAVE TO HELP THEM. THAT'S WHAT SUPERMAN WOULD DO.



I WEAR THE **YELLOW RING OF NOR-KANN**, JUST LIKE SUPERMAN USED TO.

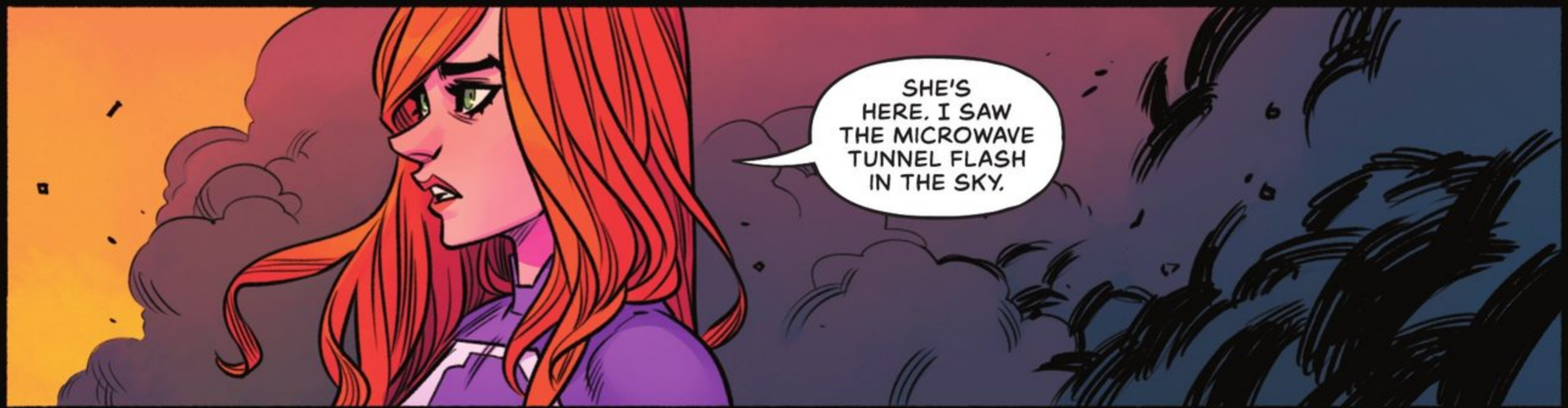
THE RING IS CHARGED WITH **SUNLIGHT**, AND WITHOUT IT WE'RE **POWERLESS** INSIDE THE CITY.

OKAY, LET'S GO.



I'M COMING, KANDOR. I WON'T LET YOU DOWN.

KANDOR. THE TOWER OF ZONN.



SHE'S HERE. I SAW THE MICROWAVE TUNNEL FLASH IN THE SKY.



OH, GOOD. FINALLY.



CAN'T WAIT TO MEET HER. THE MIGHTY...

"...**SUPERGIRL**"

STAY FOCUSED, KARA. THIS IS *YOUR* RESPONSIBILITY. THERE ARE *OTHER* PEOPLE ALSO SEARCHING FOR SUPERMAN, TOO--YOU'LL GET THERE WHEN YOU CAN. I JUST HOPE HE'S OKAY...

FIRST THINGS FIRST, I NEED TO FIND *LES*LA.

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SUPERGIRL

IN **HERO OF KANDOR**
PART ONE

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SUPERBOY CREATED BY JERRY SIEGEL.
BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT
WITH THE JERRY SIEGEL FAMILY.

KANDOR IS IN *MUCH* WORSE SHAPE THAN I WAS IMAGINING. LOOK AT THIS PLACE. WHAT *HAPPENED* HERE?

IT REMINDS ME OF WHEN *ARGO CITY* WAS HIT BY THE METEOR SHOWER...

...AND WHERE DID THESE *MONSTERS* COME FROM?!

LOOK! UP IN THE SKY!

HOLD ON--



--I'M
HERE TO
HELP!

OH,
THANK
RAO!

LET'S
GET OUTTA
HERE! BACK
TO BASE!

NOT
YET.



WHO ARE
YOU? WHY ARE
YOU TERRORIZING
THESE PEOPLE?

JUST
FOLLOWING
ORDERS.



FROM
WHOM?

THE
BLACK
FLAME.



YOU CAN
SLASH ME ALL YOU
WANT BUT IT WON'T
DO ANYTHING. WHY
DON'T WE JUST
TALK?

NO.





HEY,
YOU OKAY?
YOU HURT?
WHAT'S YOUR
NAME?

RYLA,
I'M OKAY, I
THINK...THANK
YOU, SUPERGIRL,
THANK YOU SO
MUCH. I WAS JUST
OUT LOOKING
FOR FOOD...



NO
THANKS
NEEDED.

RYLA, CAN
YOU TELL ME
WHAT IS GOING ON
HERE? I NEED TO
KNOW WHAT I'M UP
AGAINST, EXACTLY,
OTHER THAN THIS
RUST THING AND
THAT *BLADE*
GIRL...

SHE'S
CALLED *CUT*.
THEY'RE BOTH A
PART OF LESLA-LAR'S
SUPER-SUBSTANCE
SCIENCE
SCOUTS.



OH, NO.
I WAS HOPING
THAT WASN'T
THE CASE.

CUT
MENTIONED
THE NAME
BLACK
FLAME,
TOO...

SHE'S
THE ONE IN
CHARGE.

I DON'T
KNOW
EVERYTHING,
AFTER *RUST*
STARTED TAKING
OVER THE CITY, THE
SCIENCE COUNCIL
WENT INTO HIDING!
THEY HAVEN'T
TOLD US A
THING.



I THINK I HAVE
A HUNCH ABOUT
WHAT'S GOING
ON.

THANKS
FOR HELPING
ME OUT, RYLA. DO
YOU HAVE SOMEWHERE
REASONABLY SAFE
TO GO?



A BUNCH
OF US ARE
HOLED UP. WE'RE
SAFE FOR NOW
BUT WE NEED
FOOD AND
WATER.

I'LL
SEE WHAT I
CAN DO. SIT
TIGHT.



THANK YOU,
SUPERGIRL!

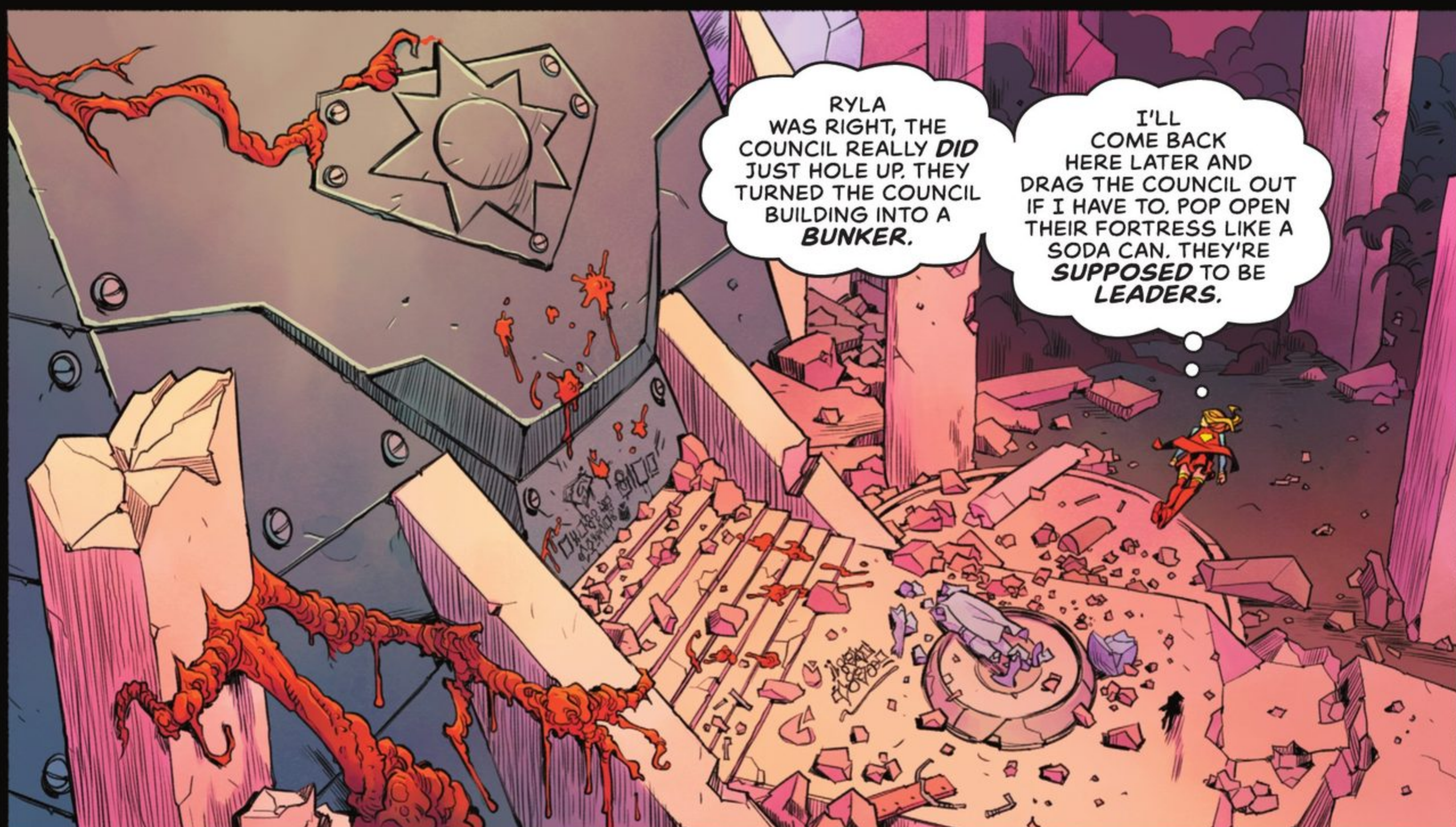
THE
GENETIC
ANOMALY
THE SCIENCE
COUNCIL
TOLD ME
ABOUT...



...A
MUTATION THAT
CAUSES YOUNGER
GENERATIONS OF
KANDORIANS TO SHRINK
AND ULTIMATELY DIE IF
THEY LEAVE THE BOTTLE
FOR TOO LONG...THAT'S
GOT TO BE PART
OF THIS.*

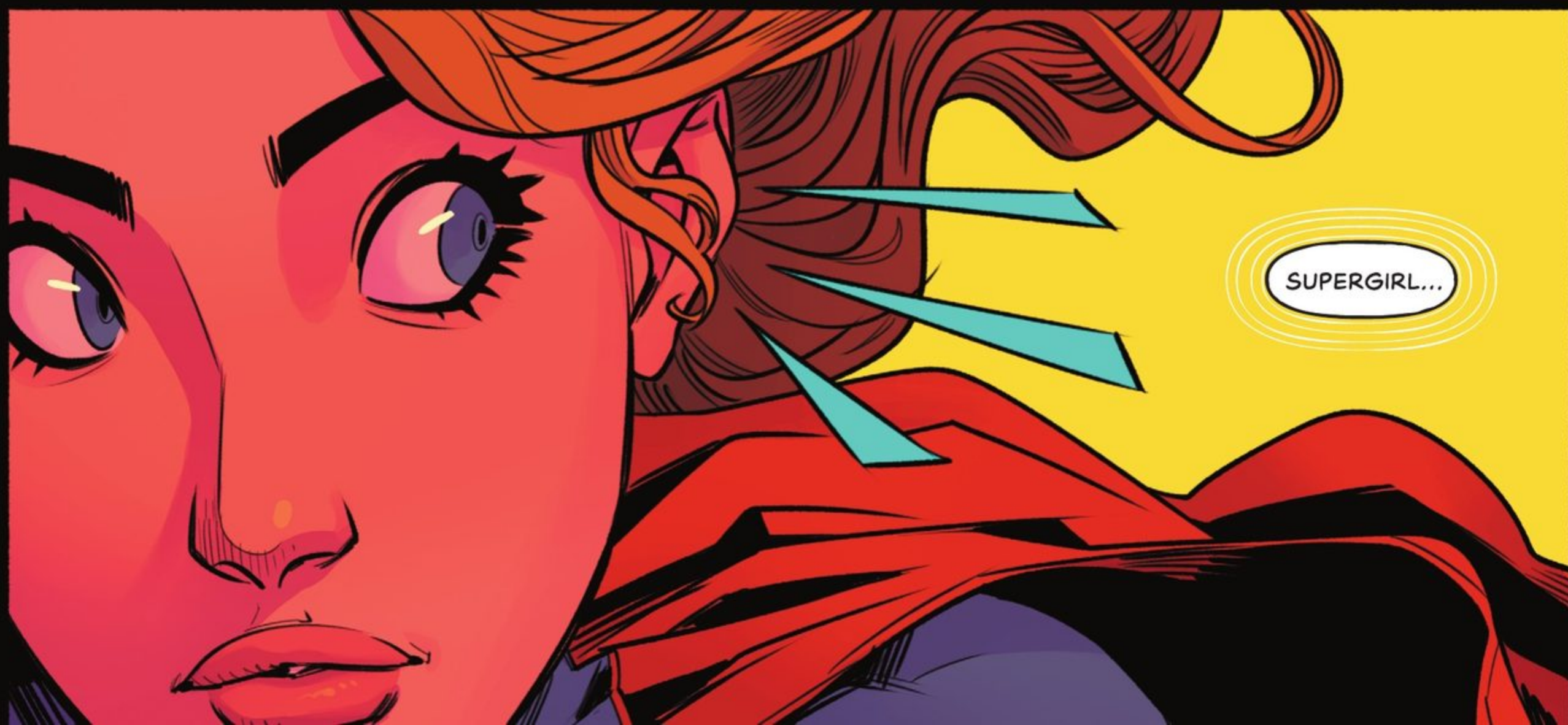
IS ALL
THIS LESLA
RETALIATING? OR
IS SHE OBSESSED
WITH THIS **BLACK
FLAME** PERSON THE
WAY SHE WAS
WITH **ME?**

*SEE **SUPERGIRL#9**
FOR MORE DETAILS!
--BRITTANY



RYLA
WAS RIGHT, THE
COUNCIL REALLY **DID**
JUST HOLE UP. THEY
TURNED THE COUNCIL
BUILDING INTO A
BUNKER.

I'LL
COME BACK
HERE LATER AND
DRAG THE COUNCIL OUT
IF I HAVE TO. POP OPEN
THEIR FORTRESS LIKE A
SODA CAN. THEY'RE
SUPPOSED TO BE
LEADERS.

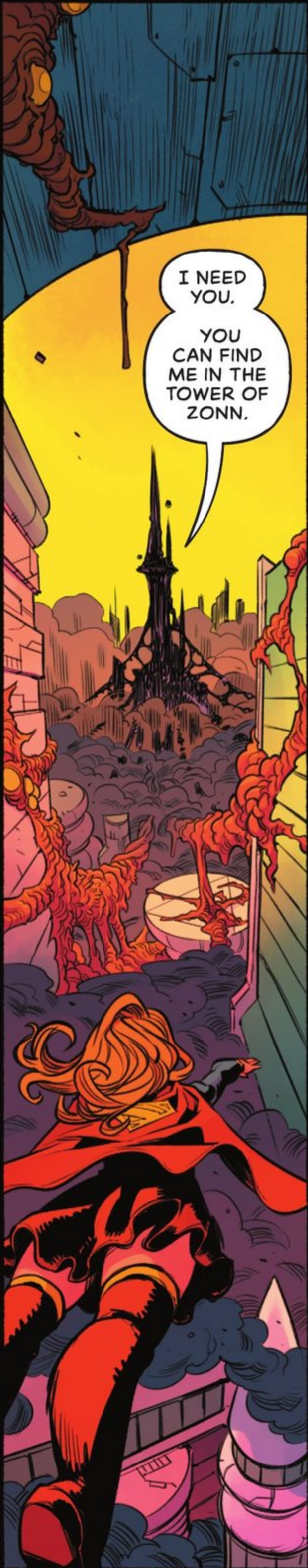


SUPERGIRL...



I KNOW
YOU'RE HERE. I
KNOW YOU CAN
HEAR ME.

LESLA.



I NEED
YOU.

YOU
CAN FIND
ME IN THE
TOWER OF
ZONN.



ALL
RIGHT, LESLA,
I'LL TAKE THE
BAIT. THERE HAD
BETTER BE
MORE TO THIS
STORY...



...A LOT
MORE.

I WANT
SO BADLY TO
SEE THE BEST
IN HER, EVEN
THOUGH...



...I
KNOW IT'S
PROBABLY NOT
THE PRAGMATIC
APPROACH.



SHE WAS SUCH A HANDFUL WHILE LIVING WITH ME IN MIDVALE, SHE'D GET SO INTENSE, BUT...I DON'T THINK I REALIZED JUST HOW MUCH I'VE MISSED HER.



LESLA... HI.

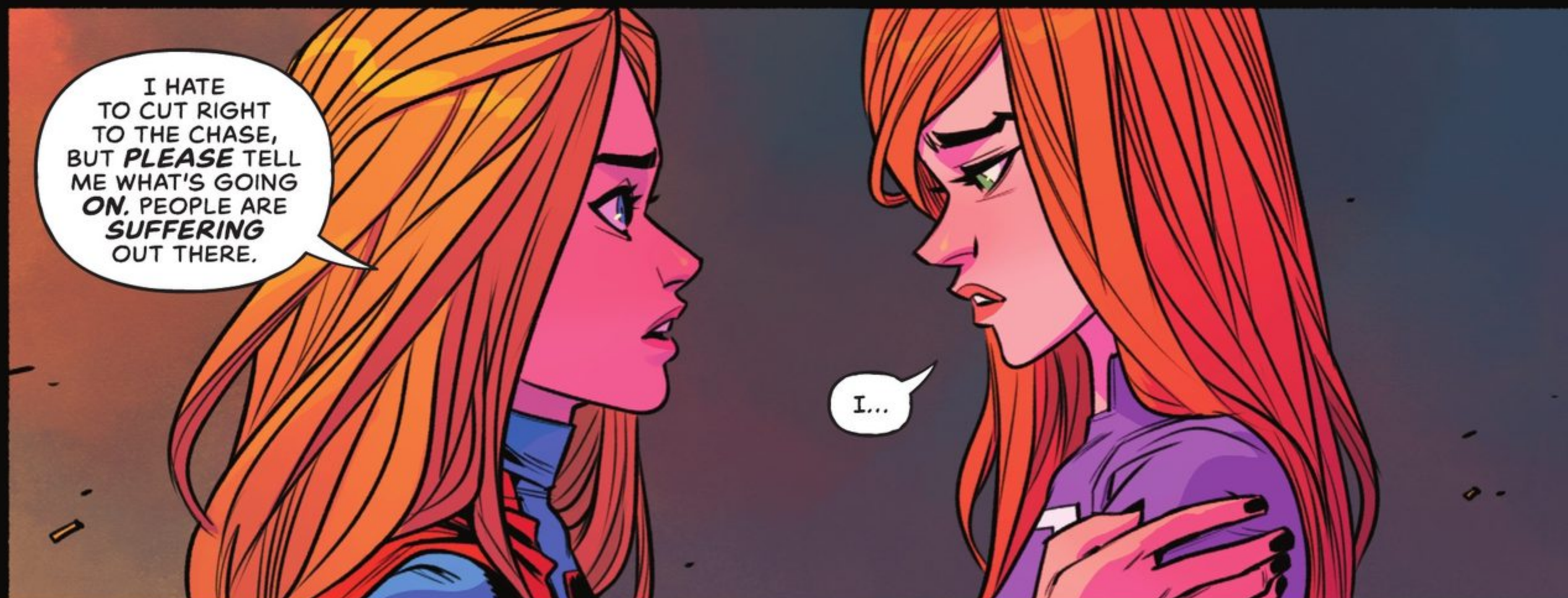
SUPERGIRL.



I MISSED YOU.



I... MISSED YOU, TOO.



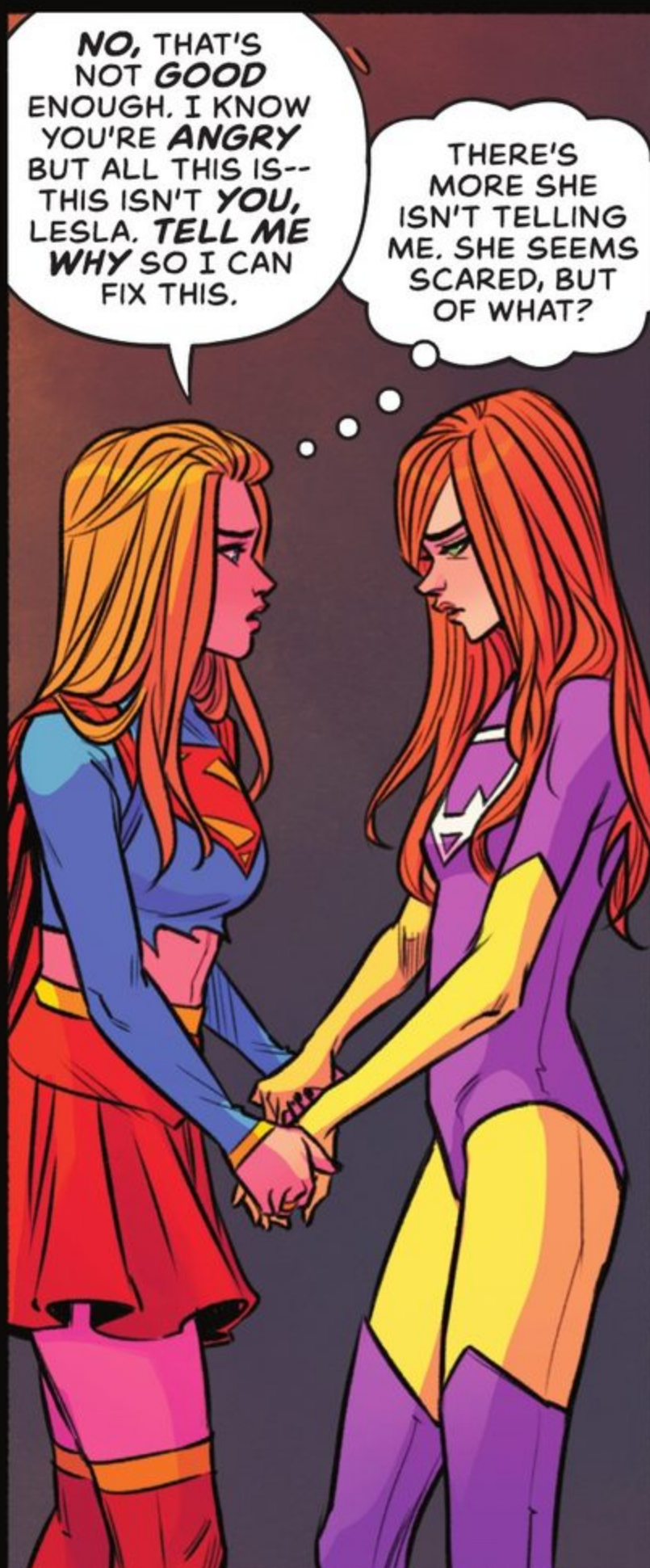
I HATE TO CUT RIGHT TO THE CHASE, BUT **PLEASE** TELL ME WHAT'S GOING **ON**. PEOPLE ARE **SUFFERING** OUT THERE.

I...



I ALREADY **KNOW** YOU HAVE SOME INVOLVEMENT IN THIS, BUT **PLEASE**...PLEASE TELL ME IT'S NOT AS BAD AS I'M AFRAID IT'S GOING TO BE.

I HAD TO DO IT. I'M SORRY.



NO, THAT'S NOT **GOOD** ENOUGH. I KNOW YOU'RE **ANGRY** BUT ALL THIS IS-- THIS ISN'T **YOU**, LESLA. **TELL ME WHY** SO I CAN FIX THIS.

THERE'S MORE SHE ISN'T TELLING ME. SHE SEEMS SCARED, BUT OF WHAT?



DOES IT HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE **GENETIC ANOMALY**? IS THAT WHY THE SCIENCE COUNCIL IS **HIDING** FROM EVERYONE?

YES, BUT...IT'S NOT JUST ME ALONE. IT'S...



THE BLACK FLAME, RIGHT? WHO IS--

YEP. THAT'S ME.

THE
BLACK
FLAME.



MY *COUSIN*.
ZORA VI-LAR.



IT'S SO GREAT
TO FINALLY MEET
YOU, SUPERGIRL. I'VE
HEARD **ALL** ABOUT YOU
FROM LESLA HERE.
WOULD NOT SHUT **UP**
ABOUT YOU.



WASN'T
SURE WHAT TO
EXPECT, REALLY,
BUT...HM. *KINDA*
DISAPPOINTED,
ACTUALLY.





ALL RIGHT, ENOUGH. SO **YOU'RE** THE ONE CALLING THE SHOTS.

WRONG.



LESLA AND ME ARE **PARTNERS**. SHE'S **ALL IN** ON THIS, TRUST ME.



BUT YOU REALLY WANT TO POINT FINGERS? UH, TRY THE **SCIENCE COUNCIL**.

AND **YOU**, TO BE HONEST.



ME? I DID EVERYTHING I **COULD** FOR LESLA, I--

OH, YEAH, SURE YOU DID. I DO **NOT** GET WHY MY COUSIN IS SO **OBSESSED** WITH YOU BUT SHE **IDOLIZED** YOU AND--

I'M NOT **OBSESSED**, ZORA, I--

QUIET. I'M TALKING.



YEAH, SO SHE WORSHIPPED YOU AND YOU BUILT HER UP ONLY TO TEAR HER **ALL** THE WAY DOWN.

BUT, WHATEVER, I KNEW YOU'D SHOW UP IF WE MADE ENOUGH NOISE.



I'VE HEARD ENOUGH. LESLA, COME ON, I'M TAKING YOU OUT OF HERE.

KARA...



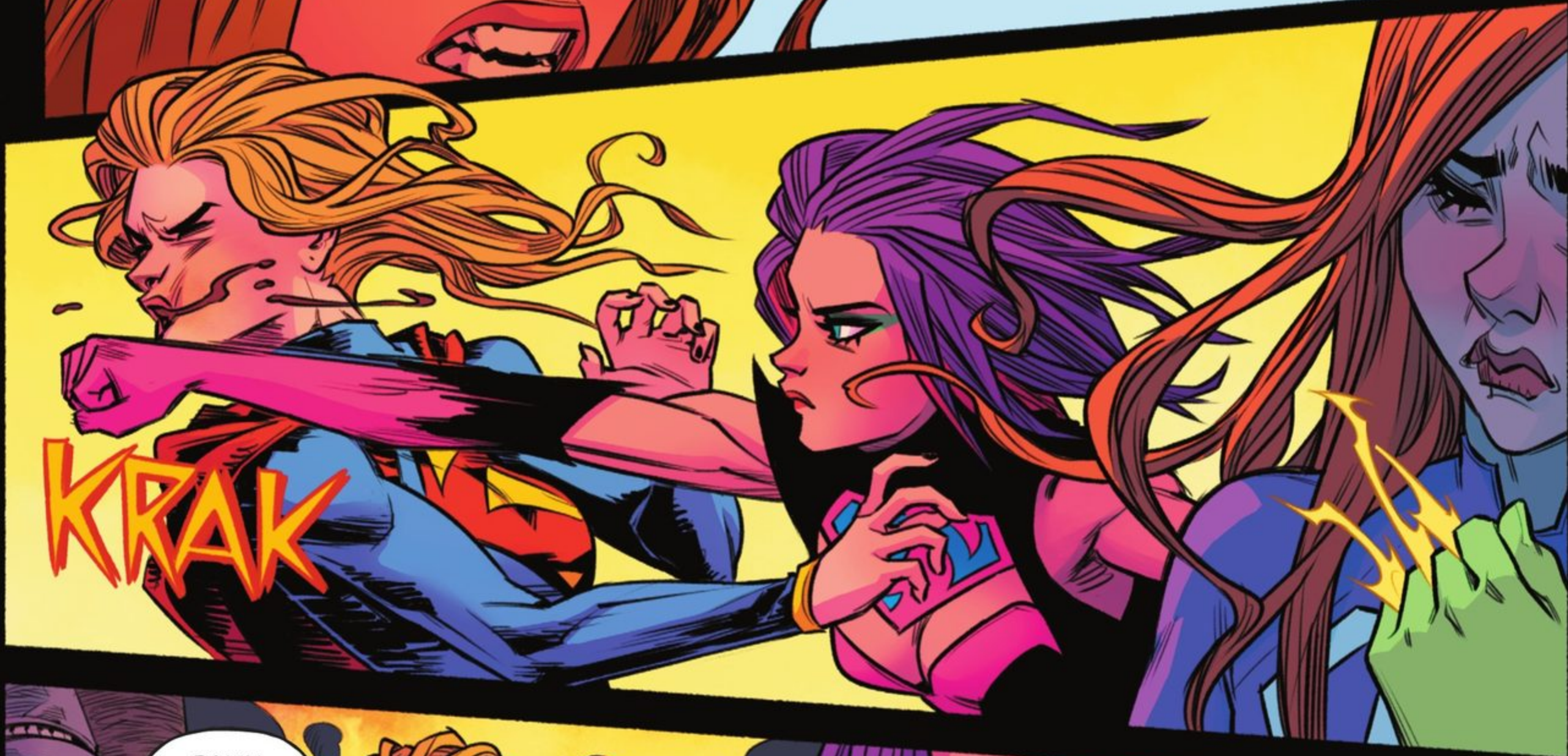
...I'M
SO...



...SORRY.



LESLA,
WHAT
ARE--

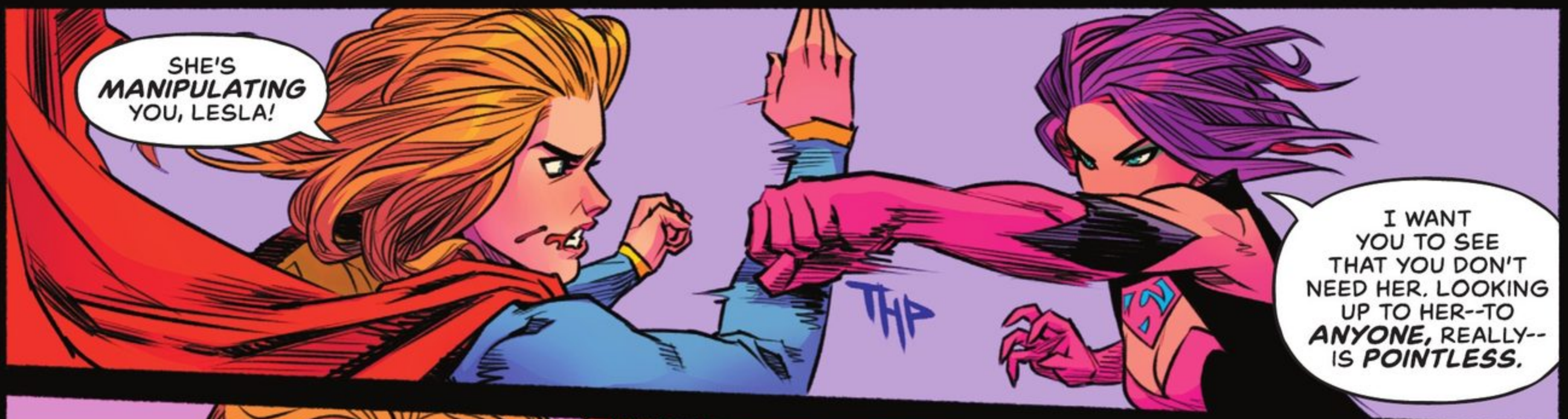


KRAK



DAMN
IT--DON'T
DO THIS--
LESLA--!

LESLA,
WATCH THIS.
THIS IS WHAT I'VE
BEEN DYING
TO SHOW
YOU.



SHE'S
MANIPULATING
YOU, LESLA!

I WANT
YOU TO SEE
THAT YOU DON'T
NEED HER. LOOKING
UP TO HER--TO
ANYONE, REALLY--
IS POINTLESS.



THAT IS
THE DUMBEST
THING I'VE EVER
HEARD! ASPIRING
TO BE **BETTER**
IS **NEVER**
POINTLESS!

SO
YOU'RE SAYING
YOU THINK YOU'RE
BETTER THAN
HER?



NO!
YOU'RE
TWISTING
EVERYONE'S
WORDS!



YOU
LISTENING TO
THIS, LESLA? ALL
I'M SAYING
IS...



YOU ONLY
NEEDED TO
LOOK UP TO
YOURSELF.

YOU
DON'T NEED
SUPERGIRL.



YOU
NEVER
DID.



I MEAN, FOR REAL, I DON'T EVEN NEED **POWERS** TO BEAT HER.



AND I DON'T NEED POWERS TO BEAT YOU!

YEAH, OKAY. WHAT EVEN **ARE** YOU WITHOUT YOUR **SUPER-POWERS**?



WE CAN--I CAN **HELP**--WE CAN FIX THE GENETIC ANOMALY! WE CAN FIND A WAY TO LET YOU LEAVE KANDOR--!

THAT'S WHAT KICKED ALL THIS OFF, ACTUALLY. LESLA TOLD ME ALL ABOUT THAT, TOO.

YOU CAN'T LEAVE KANDOR SO YOU'RE JUST GOING TO **DESTROY** IT INSTEAD?!



...BUT NEVER DID ANYTHING ABOUT IT. I'LL TELL YOU WHY.

I--KNOW WHY! THEY--HRK--

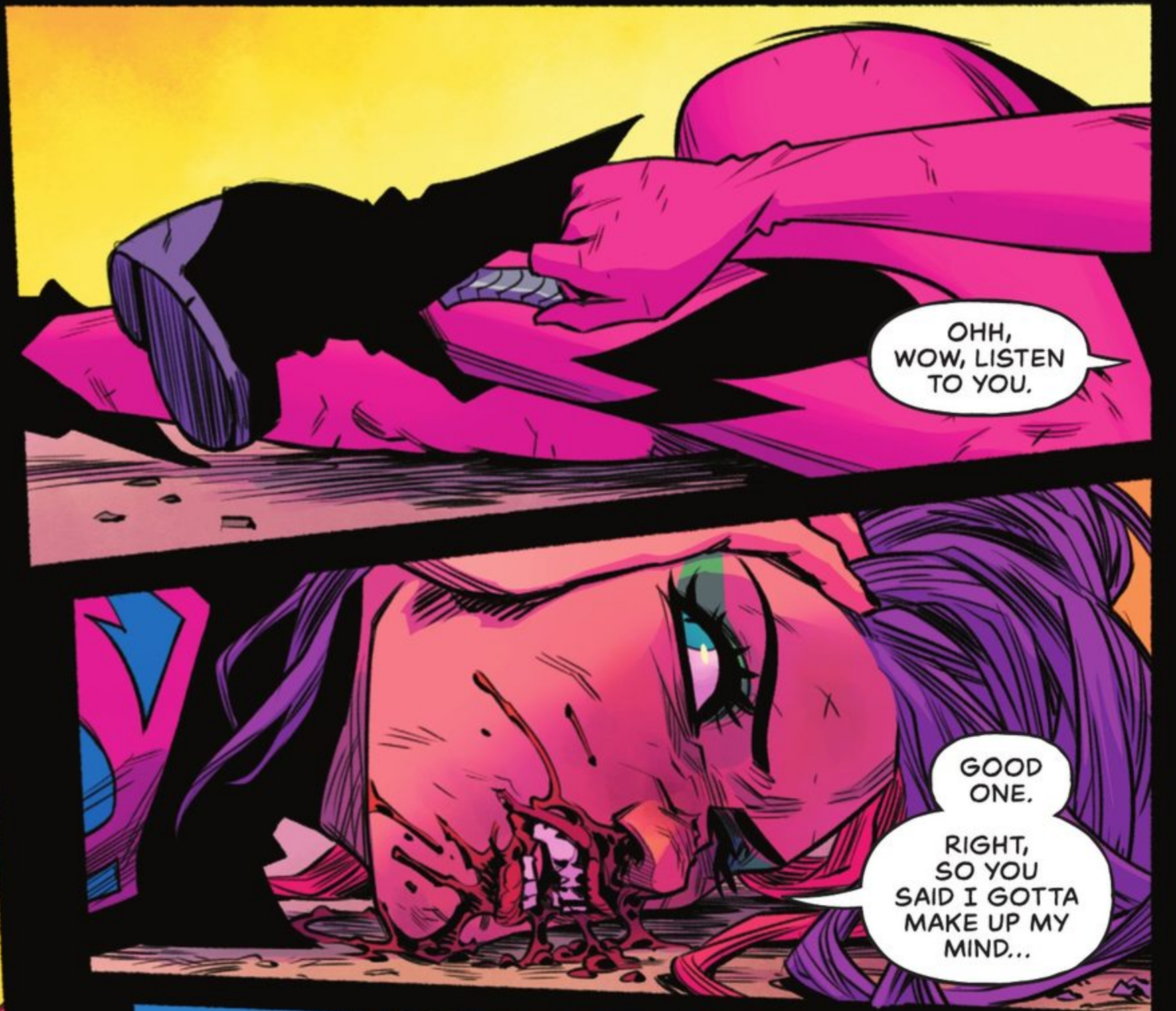
THE SCIENCE COUNCIL **KNEW**--NOT JUST BABIES BUT **EVERY** LIVING THING BORN HERE--HAD THIS MUTATION...



YEAH, SO, IT'S 'CAUSE THEY WANT US STUCK IN HERE FOREVER.

THEY ONLY CARE ABOUT **PRESERVING** KANDORIAN CULTURE.

THE OUTSIDE WORLD? EVEN OTHER **KRYPTONIANS** LIKE YOU AND YOUR COUSIN? JUST GONNA DILUTE IT.







OOF--
YOU STILL
GOT SOME
STRENGTH
LEFT!
NICE.



YOU'RE
NOT USED TO
NOT HAVING YOUR
SUPER-STRENGTH,
HUH? LOOK HOW
EXHAUSTED YOU
ARE. I DIDN'T GET
YOU **THAT**
BAD.



SHUT...
UP...



SO, BACK
TO WHAT I WAS
SAYING...

I WAS
GOING TO
SAY "MAKE UP
YOUR MIND" IS A
USELESS DEMAND
TO MAKE OF
SOMEONE.



LIKE,
THERE ARE SO
MANY THINGS
THAT ARE WRONG
AND STUPID AND
TERRIBLE, WHY
CAN'T I HATE
ALL OF IT?

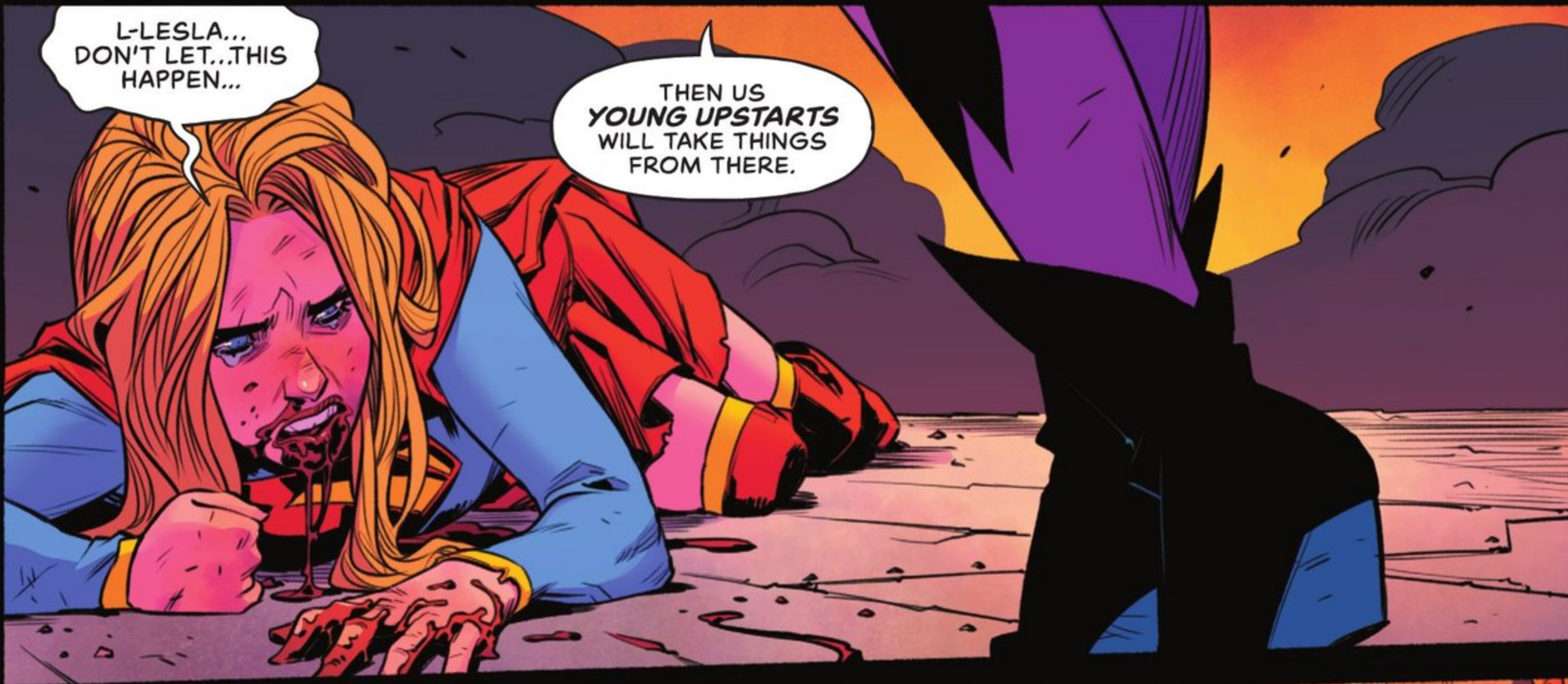


ANYWAY, LET THE COUNCIL RUN OFF AND **HIDE**, LIKE **RATS** SCURRYING INTO THEIR HOLES.



UHF-- NO--

EITHER THEY'LL RUN OUT OF SUPPLIES AND STARVE TO DEATH OR WE'LL KILL THEM THE SECOND THEY SET FOOT OUTSIDE, WHICHEVER.



L-LESLA... DON'T LET...THIS HAPPEN...

THEN US **YOUNG UPSTARTS** WILL TAKE THINGS FROM THERE.



WITH LESLA'S **BRAINS**, WE'LL FIGURE OUT HOW TO CURE OUR BUSTED GENES IN NO TIME. THEN WE'LL LEAVE THIS BORING, STUPID CITY BEHIND.



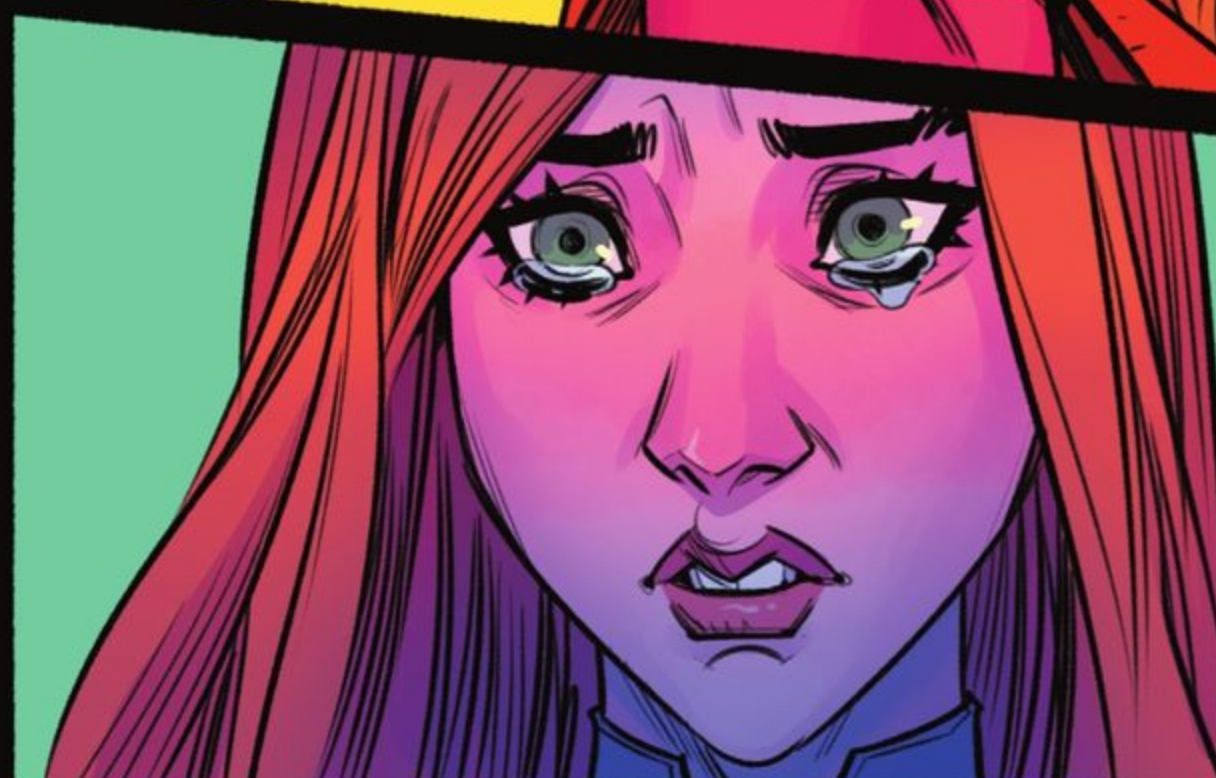
ANYWAY.



ZORA,
DON'T--



SHH.
IT'S GONNA
BE OKAY.



AFTER
ALL...





KARA?



KARA,
ARE YOU
THERE?



SUPERBOY,
SOMETHING'S
WRONG...

SOMETHING'S
HAPPENED TO
SUPergirl.

**TO BE
CONTINUED!**

LOZ

#1 PREVIEW

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MAYBE IT'S
JUST THE WAY
THE STARS
LIGHT YOUR
FACE...

...OR THE
SOUND YOU
MAKE WHEN
YOU'RE FEELIN'
NO PAIN...

...EITHER
WAY I KNOW IT
MAKES ME WANT
TO PUT A CLIP OF
SHELLS UP IN
THE JAMMIE...

...GIVE IT A
SQUEEZE AND
SEND A FEW...

OMEWHERE ALONG
THE OUTER LIP OF
COSMIC ROUTE 67.

THE CHUG
'N' SLUG
SPACE
PUB.

...STRAIGHT THROUGH
YOUR BRAIN! SO COME
ON MOTHERFRAGGER,
COME ON MOTHER-
FRAGGER...

COME ON
MOTHER-
FRAGGER,
LET'S
HOEDOWN!!

IT'S BASICALLY JUST YOUR AVERAGE LOWLIFE
SCUMBAG-FILLED PUB...BUT YOU KNOW, IN SPACE.



HIYA, PAL, YOU DRINKING OR WORKING?



I SUPPOSE I'M *WORKIN'* ON *DRINKIN'*.

THEN I SUPPOSE I CAN HELP YA WITH THAT. PICK YA POISON.

GIMME A QUADRUPLE AXLE GREASE STRAIGHT UP. AND IF YA GOT ANY--

HA HAA
HAA HAA
HA HA
HAA HA
HA





TO BE CONTINUED
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THE WONDER WAR BEGINS IN

#31

WONDER WOMAN

ALL HAIL THE MATRIARCH



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TOM KING

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THE MATRIARCH

INTERVIEW WITH TOM KING

The Matriarch has arrived in the pages of *Wonder Woman*, and she's here to change everything. Superstar writer Tom King reveals Diana's most ambitious villain yet, a royal force of nature with power to topple gods and heroes alike. As "The Wonder War" begins, this future-born conqueror promises an epic showdown that will redefine the Amazing Amazon's legacy.

What can you tell us about the creation of the Matriarch?

From the beginning my brilliant artist, Daniel Sampere, and I wanted to create a huge *Wonder Woman* villain that would be the focus of our arc. We very cleverly put her origin story on the very first page of the series, and nobody noticed, which was fun! We took 25 issues of story leading up to the launch of this character who is the pivotal villain of the whole series, and her name is the Matriarch.

How do you craft a villain worthy of Wonder Woman's legacy?

It's my chance to do a Lex Luthor. My chance to do a Joker. That's who the Matriarch is. People who are reading *Wonder Woman* today need an experience as big as the people who were reading *Batman* in the '30s or '40s. They deserve huge comics that aren't just looking backward, but looking forward.

What can fans expect as we head toward "The Wonder War"?

There's a lot more to come. We've been building on this. We created this character called the Sovereign, who may or may not be her father. You see her birth and the birth of Trinity around the same time. These two babies who start together becoming the greatest of adversaries in the future will be the driving force behind the comic. I couldn't be more excited for where this is going.

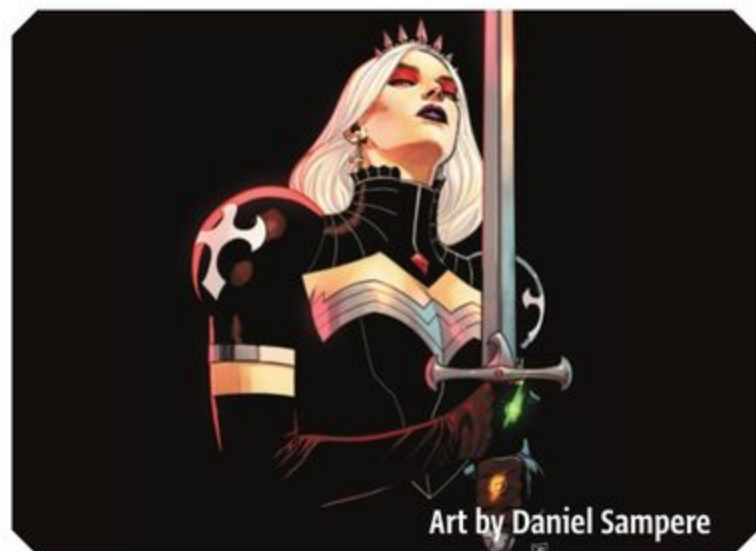
Can you share a bit about the character's design?

Daniel's design is perfect. I wanted her to look like an evil princess, or to have that sort of royalty to her. This look of "I've inherited the world and I can do anything."



Art by Jorge Fornés

What you started to see in issue #25, the big launch of this character, is she exists in the future. I was sort of inspired by the comics of my youth, where the great villains came from the future. In the future, she has left Themyscira, has conquered Earth, and has killed the Justice League. When you see each of their deaths, their last words to the Matriarch before they succumb to her total power are "Wonder Woman," who's the last hope against this villain.



Art by Daniel Sampere



Art by Daniel Sampere

DON'T MISS THE EPIC START OF "THE WONDER WAR" IN *WONDER WOMAN* #31, ON SALE IN MARCH!

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